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Noy, Catherine

(1962 -)

Born	19620120, Warragul Victoria Australia
Occupation	Administrator, Community worker

Summary

The daughter and grand-daughter of Gippsland dairy farmers, Catherine Noy has always been involved in her local community. Based in Gippsland, she was at the geographical epicentre of the Women in Agriculture movement, and worked on the administration of the First International Women in Agriculture Conference, the Foundation for Australian Agricultural Women, and the projects of the Gippsland Women's Network.

Details

After leaving her job at Agriculture Victoria in Warragul to raise a family, Catherine ran her own management administration service, and became involved at a critical moment in the administration of the First International Women in Agriculture Conference, with Maria Rose. She spent four years (1995-1999) as executive officer of the Foundation for Australian Agricultural Women, before moving on, as Networking Officer, to organise forums and skills workshops for the Gippsland Women's Network, in response to needs highlighted by the conference. These included the Women Who Mean Business Project (2002-2004), the Uniting Our Rural Communities Cultural and Community Leadership Project (1997), and the Having Your Voice Heard Forum (2000). Catherine both experienced at first hand and witnessed the transformative effects of the Conference and its outcomes on the empowerment of rural women, and on their recognition of the importance of the links between them, and of their strengths. Women became innovators on family farms as a result. Catherine is currently involved in pastoral care for the aged, in counselling, and with Radio Print Handicapped.

Published resources

Conference Proceedings
Women in Agriculture: Farming for Our Future, Women in Agriculture 1994 International Conference Committee Inc., 1995

Report
Project Report: International Women in Agriculture Conference, Rose, Maria, 1994

Booklet
The Salute From Australia at the 2nd International Conference on Women in Agriculture, McDougall, Valerie (ed.), 1998

Resource
Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

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Brilliant Ideas and Huge Visions: ABC Radio Australian Rural Women of the Year - 1994-1997, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2011,
http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/rwya/rwya-home.html

Archival resources

National Library of Australia, Manuscript Collection
Papers of Mary Salce, 1976-2007 [manuscript]

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